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Sir:

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One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

1. International Organization for Standardization, ISO-IEC/JTC 1/SC29/WG11, Document AVC-49b, Version 2, April, 1993.
2. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 2000-50254, dated Debruary 18, 2000.
3. IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology, Vol. 9, No. 1, February 1999, pp. 186-199.

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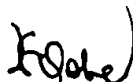
4. IEEE Transactions on Circuits and Systems for Video Technology, Vol. 7, No. 1, February 1997, pp. 246-250.

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